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For: *Vibratory Compactor and Compact Exciter Assembly Usable Therewith*

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 2, line 13 with replacement paragraph as follows:

Many vibratory trench rollers and some other vibratory compactors require that the amplitude of the vibrations generated by the machine's exciter assembly be varied.

For instance, it is often desirable to generate relatively low amplitude vibrations during

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